

TITLE: VENTILATION
VERSION: V3.0
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DEFINITION: Means of supplying air to or removing air from a space.

PURPOSE: Control indoor air quality.

COMMON COMPONENTS: Switch Unit; Fan; Motor; Screen; Duct; Light; Extractor hood or canopy; Air filtering system

LOCATION: Unit Primary kitchen, primary food preparation area, bathroom
 Inside Kitchen, food preparation area, bathroom
 Outside None

MORE INFORMATION: For the purposes of this inspection, "Kitchen Exhaust" does not include any kitchen ceiling fans, ductless recirculating range hoods, or microwave-based fans that only circulate air and offer no ventilation.

DEFICIENCY 1: Exhaust system does not respond to the control switch.

LOCATION: Unit Inside

DEFICIENCY 2: Exhaust system has restricted airflow.

LOCATION: Unit Inside

DEFICIENCY 3: Exhaust system component is damaged or missing.

LOCATION: Unit Inside

DEFICIENCY 4: Bathroom does not have proper ventilation or dehumidification.

LOCATION: Unit Inside

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DEFICIENCY CRITERIA: Exhaust system does not respond to the control switch.

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CORRECTION TIMEFRAME: 30 days

HCV PASS / FAIL: Fail

HCV CORRECTION TIMEFRAME: 30 days

INSPECTION PROCESS:

OBSERVATION: - None

REQUEST FOR HELP: - None

ACTION: - Turn on the exhaust system.
- Listen to hear fan activate.
- Turn off the exhaust system.

More Information: - None

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OBSERVATION: - Visually inspect the exhaust system to identify any blockage that may restrict airflow.

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ACTION: None

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- OBSERVATION:**
- **Exhaust fan:** Look for the presence of an exhaust fan or vent containing a screen and a corresponding switch.
 - **Window:** Look for a window that is openable from the interior.
 - **Other:** Look for alternate means of dehumidification.
- REQUEST FOR HELP:**
- If there is a vent, but no switch, ask the POA how the space is being ventilated.
 - If the POA indicates the vent is connected to an event-activated vent (e.g., a timer) elsewhere in the building, disregard this deficiency.
- ACTION:**
- **Exhaust fan:** If present, activate the switch to determine if the exhaust fan turns on and verify there is airflow.
 - **Window:** If present, attempt to open the window to verify operability.
 - **Other:** If present, activate other means of dehumidification to verify operability.
- MORE INFORMATION:**
- A high-rise building may have a passive or motorized central ventilation system and if there is a vent in the bathroom, this may require an alternate means of detecting airflow if otherwise undetectable.
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